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LETTER TO COMMISSION

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TO: Mayor Matti H. Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE: January 4, 2011

SUBJECT: Washington Avenue Shared Lanes

The purpose of this Letter to Commission is to inform you of the Washington Avenue Shared Lane Project (Project). The Project installed shared lane bicycle markings along Washington Avenue, from South Pointe Drive to Dade Boulevard, in the outside travel lanes adjacent to the parking lane. The intent of this initiative is to improve bicycle safety by encouraging bicyclists to ride on the road rather than the sidewalk, in the same direction as other vehicles, and outside of the car door zone. The new pavement markings also notify motorists that they must share the road with bicyclists.

The Public Works Department installed the shared lane markings on Washington Avenue. The installation of the thermoplastic is estimated to be completed within approximately four (4) weeks.

The City conducted a diligent public advisory process for this initiative in the MB Magazine, on the City's website, in the E-Briefs, and through social media outlets, and additional information will soon be provided in the next issue of the MB Magazine. The Project was presented to the Washington Avenue Neighborhoods Association (WANA) at their August 11, 2010 meeting. City staff has also been distributing an informational flyer to the residents and businesses along Washington Avenue, WANA, and any other impacted neighborhood and homeowners associations (Attachment 1).

Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information.

Attachment:

1. Washington Avenue Shared Lanes Flyer


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BICYCLISTS & MOTORISTS **SHARE THE ROAD**

Washington Avenue (South Pointe Drive to Dade Boulevard)

The City of Miami Beach is striping shared lane bicycle markings along Washington Avenue from South Pointe Drive to Dade Boulevard. The intent of this project is to improve bicycle safety by encouraging bicyclists to ride:

- on the road not on the sidewalk;
- in the same direction as other vehicles; and,
- outside the car door zone.

These new pavement markings notify motorists that they must share the road with bicyclists.

Washington Avenue will soon have bike racks on every block from 4 to 17 streets and bicycle sharing/rental stations throughout the corridor.



Public Works Department

305.673.7080

www.miamibeachfl.gov

Bike sharing/rental: www.decobike.com

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CICLISTAS Y MOTORISTAS COMPARTAN LA CARRETERA

Avenida Washington (Desde South Pointe Drive a Dade Boulevard)

La ciudad de Miami Beach está marcando el carril compartido de bicicleta a lo largo de la Avenida Washington desde South Pointe Drive a Dade Boulevard. La intención del proyecto es mejorar la seguridad de los ciclistas incitándolos a que monten:

- en la carretera y no en la acera;
- en la misma dirección que otros vehículos; y,
- fuera de la zona de puertas de carros.

Estas nuevas marcas en el pavimento alertan a los motoristas a que compartan la carretera con los ciclistas.

La avenida Washington pronto tendrá instalaciones de soportes para bicicletas en cada bloque desde la 4 a la 17 calle y estaciones de alquiler/compartir de bicicletas a través del corredor.



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